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<b>Interview Summary</b>	Application N .	Applicant(s)	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) Kambiz Abdi. (3)\_\_\_\_\_.
- (2) Joseph A. Pugh. (4)\_\_\_\_\_.

Date of Interview: 16 June 2003.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: n/a.

Identification of prior art discussed: U.S Patent 6189146, 5892900, and 6269343.


Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: This was interview after the final rejection that was granted to the applicant's representative attorney Joseph A. Pugh. Applicant's representative was concern about the merits of the prior arts that has been used to reject the claimed invention in regards that they are not directly relate to the software licensing and software distribution. Examiner disagreed with the attorney on that matter. The prior art of record that was used to reject the claimed invention as they were presented in the last amendment forwarded by the applicant, clearly show that such claims were not meeting the requirements to merit as an allowable subject. The Misra reference clearly shows the state of the industry regarding the claimed invention. The Ginter reference clearly addresses the steps of claimed invention as put forward in the claims by the applicant, such steps as "step discount" or "Volume License Agreement". It was also agreed that the "agreement" part is an inherent part of any system as such that has been proposed by the applicant. There was no agreement on the merits of allowable subject matter in the claims as they have been put forward by the applicant. .